
HOUSE BILL No. 1139

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 16-18-2; IC 16-28-2.5.

Synopsis: Nurse aide training. Requires a nurse aide who is hired to work in a health facility to complete a nurse aide training program. Requires that a nurse aide training program must consist of at least 36 hours of classroom instruction, at least six of which are in the area of Alzheimer's disease or related dementia. Requires that a nurse aide training program consist of at least 75 hours of supervised clinical experience, at least 16 hours of which are directly supervised practical training. Requires a nurse aide employed by a health facility to complete 14 hours of in-service training, at least two of which are in the area of Alzheimer's disease or related dementia, every calendar year. Gives nurse aides who are employed by a health facility before July 1, 2001, until July 1, 2002 to complete six hours of training in the area of Alzheimer's disease or related dementia.

Effective: July 1, 2001.

Day

January 9, 2001, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Health.

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First Regular Session 112th General Assembly (2001)

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 16-18-2-95.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
2 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001]: **Sec. 95.5. "Directly supervised**
4 **practical training", for purposes of IC 16-28-2.5, has the meaning**
5 **set forth in IC 16-28-2.5-1.**

6 SECTION 2. IC 16-18-2-253.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
7 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
8 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001]: **Sec. 253.7. "Nurse aide", for purposes**
9 **of IC 16-28-2.5, has the meaning set forth in IC 16-28-2.5-2.**

10 SECTION 3. IC 16-28-2.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
11 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
12 JULY 1, 2001]:

13 **Chapter 2.5. Staffing Requirements for Health Facilities**

14 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "directly supervised practical**
15 **training" means training in a laboratory or other setting in which**
16 **the trainee demonstrates knowledge while performing tasks on an**
17 **individual under direct supervision of a registered nurse or**



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licensed practical nurse.

Sec. 2. (a) As used in this chapter, "nurse aide" means an individual who provides nursing or nursing related services to residents in the following:

(1) A health facility.

(2) A hospital based health facility.

(b) The term does not include the following:

(1) A licensed health professional (as defined in IC 25-1-9-3).

(2) A registered dietitian.

(3) An individual who volunteers to provide nursing or nursing related services without pay.

Sec. 3. (a) A nurse aide who is hired to work in a health facility:

(1) must have successfully completed a nurse aide training program approved by the state department; or

(2) shall enroll in the first available approved training program scheduled to commence not later than sixty (60) days after the nurse aide's employment begins.

(b) The training program for a nurse aide must consist of:

(1) at least thirty-six (36) hours of classroom instruction, at least six (6) of which must be in the area of Alzheimer's disease or related dementia.

(2) at least seventy-five (75) hours of supervised clinical experience, at least sixteen (16) hours of which must be in directly supervised practical training.

Sec. 4. A nurse aide who is employed by a health facility must complete fourteen (14) hours of in-service training, at least two (2) of which must be in the area of Alzheimer's disease or related dementia, each calendar year.

SECTION 4. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001] (a) Notwithstanding IC 16-28-2.5-3, as added by this act, a nurse aide hired to work in a health facility before July 1, 2001, must complete six (6) hours of training in the area of Alzheimer's disease or related dementia not later than July 1, 2002.

(b) This SECTION expires December 31, 2002.

